GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

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BIO DIESEL BASED TRAINS IN CHHATTISGARH
Mohale Shri Punnulal

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a)Whether South-East Central Railways has started Bio-diesel based trains in Chhattisgarh;

(b) If so, whether the trains running on Bio-diesel are being proposed to be extended to other States from Chhattisgarh

(c) If so, whether there is a scheme to run trains on Bio-diesel in all parts of the State;

(d) If so, whether savings to be effected on this account has been assessed; and

(e) If so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R.VELU)

(a) Yes, Sir. Between Raipur-Dhamtari Narrow Gauge (NG) section, two nominated locos are hauling two different NG trains with 5% blend of Bio-diesel with High Speed Diesel from 21.07.06 on trial basis.

(b) Wider use of Bio-diesel depends upon the outcome of the limited trial mentioned above and availability of Bio-diesel.

(c) Does not arise.

(d) No such appraisal has been made so far.

(e) Does not arise.